

ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

A digital video apparatus having a DIF unit that generates and detects a common isochronous packet (CIP) header having a MODE field and a STATE
5 field or a data header equivalent to the CIP header. The MODE field is a field storing values representing operation modes of the digital video apparatus, and the STATE field is a field storing values
10 representing a playing direction, a playing speed, and the like of the digital video apparatus. In this way, the MODE field and the STATE field are provided in the CIP header or the data header equivalent to the CIP header, whereby an operation state of a
15 transmission source apparatus can be notified to a transmission destination apparatus without using a special command.